

IL HIE Medicaid Work Group

Meeting Notes

February 4, 2013

Attendees (by phone):

Ben Barnard	Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS)
Dave Barnes	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Janet Barrett	OSF Healthcare
Pat Borrowdale	Pediatric Health Associates
Diana Curren	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Eppie Dietz	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Mary Driscoll	Illinois Department of Public Health
Andrew Garrett	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Julie Glen	Loyola University
Robin Holding	Department of Public Health
Roger Holloway	
Peter Ingram	Sinai Health System
Jonathon Jackson	Illinois Health Connect
Wyona Johnson	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Elizabeth McKnight	Chicago Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center
Cathy Potter	
Raul Recarey	Office of Health Information Technology / Illinois Health Information Exchange Authority
Mary Ring	Illinois Critical Access Hospital Network
Mashelle Rose	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Julio Silva	Rush University Medical Center
JoAnn Spoor	Illinois Hospital Association
Jeff Todd	Department of Healthcare and Family Services
Theresa Walunas	Chicago Health Information Technology Regional Extension Center
Lori Williams	Illinois Hospital Association

- 1) **Public Health Attestation Requirements** (<https://www2.illinois.gov/gov/HIE/Pages/publichealth.aspx>)
Robin Holding from the Department of Public Health (DPH) joined today's call to answer questions about the DPH attestation process. **Peter Ingram** asked what machinery DPH is putting into place for meaningful use attestation and what providers may or may not have to demonstrate that they have successfully transmitted a test to DPH or have begun production status.

Robin explained that DPH has been working with many providers and hospitals for testing meaningful use. When a provider is ready to test, they contact DPH who then sends them a packet of information containing specifications for immunizations and sending data. The provider works with DPH staff to send a test with those specifications. After the provider has tested, an email is sent to them indicating if they passed or failed and the date and time are recorded. DPH has over 1,000 providers and hospitals currently sending them production data. If anyone in the work group has questions, Robin can be contacted at Robin.Holding@illinois.gov.

Peter asked if physicians are in a group practice setting, does each individual provider have to test or is there a group certification that can be applied. **Robin** answered that the Centers for Disease Control informed her that if multiple providers share one physical location and one database, only one test per location is needed. If they are in different physical locations, then each provider needs to test from each location. DPH requires that a list of providers be submitted to them if testing is done for providers in the same location.

Discussion took place about requesting providers National Provider Identification (NPI) numbers. It is not requested by DPH for meaningful use attestation. It has not been decided if HFS will request NPI numbers or if they will instead require tax identification numbers for each provider. **Mary Driscoll** said that she would discuss requesting NPI's with HFS and may be able to report back on the next work group call.

2) Meeting Minutes

The January 22nd meeting minutes were approved.

3) EHR/PIP Status Update

- Payments to date (1/31/13)
2,253 Eligible Providers (EPs) - \$47,316,693 (1,722 from 2011, 531 from 2012, all Year 1 Payments)
126 Eligible Hospitals (EHs) - \$127,515,463 (92 from 2011, 34 from 2012)
Total - \$174,832,156

Dave Barnes reviewed the number and amounts of payments made to date and noted that there were 151 additional providers paid since the last work group call.

4) Pre-payment Audit Process

- Attestations in work queue (1/31/13):
EPs –777 (437 from 2011, 340 from 2012, all Year 1 Payments)
EHs – 88 (all 2012, 23 Year 1 Payments, 65 Year 2 Payments)

Dave reviewed the number attestations in the work queue. Dave noted that the attestations for 303 providers from 2011 and 101 providers from 2012 are in the payment process.

5) Stage 1 EP Attestation Application Update

Andrew Garrett reported that the application will be launched on March 1st and will be available until March 31st.

A copy of the meaningful use worksheet that HFS developed will be sent to the work group for final comments.

6) Outreach to EPs

Jeff Todd said that the procurement for outreach services with the Regional Extension Centers (RECs) is going well and he hopes to have the contract executed soon. The RECs will assist with the process for recruitment, outreach, education, establishment of a hotline and outreach materials.

Jeff announced that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services will do a site visit with HFS on February 13th and work group members are invited to attend during the stakeholder portion of the meeting.

Meeting adjourned. The next call is scheduled on Tuesday, February 19th.